

Honorable Members of the Judiciary Committee,

I strongly oppose Bill 6355 (An Act Concerning Risk Protection Orders or Warrants). This updated version of the "Risk Protection Orders" removes one of the protections of ensuring that the allegation is based in fact. Removing those 2 officers must complete an investigation first and the removal of applying even on the weekends to a Judge weakens the Due Process Clause. In *Mullane v. Central Hanover Bank*, the 14th Amendment was used to ensure that Due Process requires at a minimum (1) notice; (2) an opportunity to be heard; and (3) an impartial tribunal before property is taken. The concept of "a person is innocent until proven guilty" and the 4th Amendment of the United States Constitution must apply here.

I SUPPORT Bill 6491 (An Act Concerning Nonlethal Electronic Defense Weapons). In *Caetano v. Massachusetts*, 577 U.S. \_\_\_\_ (2016) SCOTUS ruled "the Second Amendment extends, prima facie, to all instruments that constitute bearable arms, even those that were not in existence at the time of the founding" and that "the Second Amendment right is fully applicable to the States". Connecticut needs to fall in line with SCOTUS decision.

Respectfully,  
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